

A Public Hearing was held at 7:00 PM in the council chambers at which time any citizen of Early, Iowa or any other person having interest in the awarding bidding contract on the Water Treatment Facility to John T. Jones Fargo, ND as published in the Chronicle on May 20, 2021, may appear, and be heard for or against the adoption of the awarding bidding contract on the Water Treatment Facility John T. Jones Fargo, ND or any part thereof. No residents or taxpayers were for or against said Awardment. A motion was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke to close the hearing. On a roll call vote: Ayes: Pickhinke, Cougill, Schmitt. Absent: Mason, Langner. Hearing was closed at 7:10 PM.

A special meeting of the City Council of the City of Early, Iowa was held on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of June 2021. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Sharon Ann Irwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with a roll call as follows: Present: Brian Pickhinke, Bill Cougill, Summer Schmitt. Absent: Steven Mason, Tim Langner.

Resolution 21-13 Making Award of Contract for the Water Treatment Facility was offered by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Pickhinke. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Cougill, Schmitt. Absent: Mason, Langner. Whereupon the mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.


Resolution 21-14 Setting the Date for Hearing on Proposal to Enter into a Water Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement in a Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$4,500,000.00 was offered by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Schmitt. On a roll call vote. Ayes: Pickhinke, Cougill, Schmitt. Absent: Mason, Langner. Whereupon the mayor declared said resolution duly adopted.


Council discussed a new rate increase for the water utility billing based on the bids that came through. The rate increase will be about 3-4 dollars higher for fixed rates and will increase 2.00% for the usage and will increase 2.00% every few years after until the loan is paid. Council will look at proposed ordinance next meeting.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Cougill to approve building permit #781. On a show of hands: Ayes: Pickhinke, Cougill, Schmitt. Absent: Langner, Mason. Motion passed.

A motion was made by Councilor Pickhinke and seconded by Councilor Schmitt to approve the city clerk to upgrade and purchase Frontdesk® and Receipt Management an online billing software to utilize auto payments for utilities, any bank pay, pet licensing fees, building permit payments and much more to better serve our community with technology advancements.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Cougill and seconded by Councilor Schmitt. Meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM on voice vote.

  
Lexi Bainbridge, City Clerk

  
Sharon Irwin, Mayor